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SUBJECT: VISIT OF MINISTER OF LABOR FUJII

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1. FOLLOWING IS BIO DATA ON MR. KEIICHI KUWAHARA, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE LABOR STANDARDS BUREAU, WHO WILL ATTEND MINISTER FUJII'S MEETING WITH SECRETARY MARSHALL. KUWAHARA IS RUMORED TO BE A LEADING CONTENDER FOR THE POST OF ADMINISTRATIVE VICE MINISTER OF LABOR FOLLOWING INCUMBENT VICE MINISTER FUJINAWA'S RETIREMENT LATER THIS YEAR.

2. KUWAHARA WAS BORN IN FUKUOKA IN 1922. HE ENTERED THE MINISTRY OF LABOR IN 1948 IMMEDIATELY UPON GRADUATION FROM THE FACULTY OF LAW AT TOKYO UNIVERSITY. HE SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT COUNTERMEASURES DIVISION OF THE MINISTRY'S EMPLOYMENT SECURITY BUREAU IN 1972-73. WHILE VICE GOVERNOR OF FUKUOKA PREFECTURE, AN APPOINTIVE POSITION, IN 1973-75 (THE FUKUOKA PREFECTURAL GOVERNOR IS A FORMER VICE MINISTER OF LABOR), KUWAHARA HAD VERY CORDIAL RELATIONS WITH THE AMERICAN CONSULATE THERE. SINCE RETURNING TO TOKYO, KUWAHARA SERVED BRIEFLY AS DEPUTY VICE MINISTER FOR ADMINISTRATION BEFORE ASSUMING
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HIS CURRENT POSITION IN JANUARY 1976. HE HAS ONE SON.
HIS HOBBY IS GOLF. HE SPEAKS VERY LITTLE ENGLISH.
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